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WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR INVESTIGATING ARMY OFFICERS SUSPECTED OF HAVING PRO-POPULAR UNITY (U.P.) SENTIMENTS OR HAVING BEEN INVOLVED IN PRO-U.P. ACTIVITIES. THAT COLONEL GUSTAVO C-A N T-U A R I A S, FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE ARMY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL AND FORMERLY ACTING CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE INSTITUTIONS COMMAND HEADED BY

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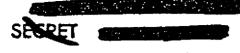
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FORMER GENERAL GUILLERMO P I C K E R I N G, COMMITTED SUICIDE AT THE MILITARY ACADEMY IN SANTIAGO ON 4.OCTOBER. AT THAT TIME CANTUARIAS HAS UNDER ARREST AND SCHEDULED TO BE COURT-MARTIALED ON CHARGES OF COLLABORATING WITH HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS OF THE U.P. GOVERNMENT PRIOR TO THE 11 SEPTEMBER MILITARY COUP. ████████ INDICATED THAT CANTUARIAS WAS GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMIT SUICIDE AND THUS AVOID FURTHER EMBARRASSING DISCLOSURES. CANTUARIAS SHOT HIMSELF IN THE HEAD. ████ COMMENT: █████████████████████ █████████████████████ CONFIRMED THAT CANTUARIAS COMMITTED SUICIDE. HE SAID THAT THE NEWS OF HIS DEATH HAD SEEN PROVIDED TO THE CADET CORPS OF THE MILITARY ACADEMY.

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THAT AN UNNAMED ARMY COLONEL HAD BEEN PERMITTED TO COMMIT SUICIDE AT THE MILITARY SCHOOL, AND THAT HIS DEATH WOULD BE LISTED AS HAVING BEEN KILLED IN ACTION. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THIS OFFICER IS IDENTICAL WITH COLONEL CANTUARIAS.)

2. ██████████████████ LT. COLONEL' EFRAIN J A N A ALSO IS UNDER ARREST AT THE MILITARY ACADEMY ON CHARGES OF

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COLLUSION WITH HIGH-LEVEL U.P. OFFICIALS, PARTICULARLY

HERNAN DEL C A N T O, SOCIALIST PARTY OFFICIAL AND FORMER

MEMBER OF A U.P. GOVERNMENT ADVISORY CROUP. JANA FORMERLY

WORKED IN THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (SIM) AND

SUBSEQUENTLY WAS COMMANDER OF THE TALCA REGIMENT, ▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓▓

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SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES ON THE PART OF ARMY OFFICERS CAME

DIRECTLY FROM JUNTA PRESIDENT GENERAL AUGUSTO P I N O C H E T.

PINOCHET HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT HE WANTS THE MOST SEVERE

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PENALTIES AVAILABLE UNDER THE STATE OF SEIGE REGULATIONS TO BE APPLIED TO THE CASES OF OFFICERS FOUND GUILTY OF COLLUSION WITH THE FORMER GOVERNMENT.

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